

BAD SHOWING OF SMALL CONCERNS

Uncovering of Lesser Insurance Companies in New York.

NASTY STATE OF AFFAIRS

BOOK VALUES MARKED UP TO OFFSET LOSSES.

New York, Dec. 18.—With the resumption of its session today the American insurance investigating committee practically started on the cleaning up of its work, preparatory to formulating its report to the legislature. Today was devoted to the smaller concerns, those under examination being the Provident Savings, the Empire Life and the Life Association of America.

Marked Up on the Books.
With the counsel of the Provident committee were taken up several real estate transactions. There appeared, according to Mr. Hughes, to be a marking up of the book values of the society's real estate holdings almost annually, and subsequently Miles M. Dawson, the committee's expert actuary, was sworn as a witness and presented a compilation showing that the society by its management lost about \$100,000 last year, which was offset by the marking up of its real estate holdings.

Worthless Insurance.
Stacey Wilson, secretary of the Empire Life, formerly the Home Benefit society, an assessment company, told how his company was worth nothing. The company owns no real estate and has about \$12,000 of assets, with outstanding liabilities of about \$20,000. This company does business principally in New York and Pennsylvania, having been delinquent from operations in most of the other states. He said the total receipts of his company for 1904 were \$20,000. Witness said that hope of an increased business had been blasted by the action of many states in debarring the company.

Life Association of America.
The Life Association of America, organized in 1901, was also taken up, and its president Henry T. Townie testified.

A list of collateral bonds was offered in evidence and when Mr. Hughes started to read it Mr. Townie asked if it was for the benefit of the newspaper. Mr. Hughes fairly replied that it was read to show that the company loaned money on worthless securities. Mr. Townie's examination will be resumed tomorrow.

TOOK AWAY HIS SANDBAG

Hold-up Tries to Rob Edward Smith and Loses His Weapon in Affray.

Edward Smith, installer at the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone company, was attacked by a man about 3 o'clock last night near Fifth street on Second South street who struck at him with a sandbag. Smith threw up his arm to protect himself and the bag was thrown around his arm. The bag tore loose from the wire handle and Smith picked it up. His assailant escaped without further ceremony. Smith brought the bag, which was made out of blue ducking and filled with coarse gravel, down town and put it on exhibition.

PROTEST AGAINST DAM.

Ogden Valley Residents Send Petition to County Commissioners.

The residents of Ogden valley yesterday entered another substantial protest against the proposed large storage reservoir in the form of a petition signed by 25 residents of the valley. The petition was filed with the county commissioners, who did not meet yesterday on account of some of the members being absent in Brigham City in attendance at the annual meeting of the association.

However, that action on the dam proposition will be taken up when they meet today. The petitioners are of the opinion that the dam will be a detriment to the valley and that the power people are not taking into consideration the interests of the valley.

The Real Estate Men's association of Ogden has invited a number of the residents of the valley to meet at the residence of the association on Monday evening, Dec. 19, at 8 o'clock, to discuss the dam proposition and to take action on the petition.

The first two acts found the audience studying Mr. James, or rather, absorbed by his play. It took an act and a half to overcome an apparent timidity toward the play and players, and a vengeance that made Mr. James come before the curtain for a short speech, and which must have sorely wrenched his idea of the fitness of things in doing so.

At notable strong moments there was no restraining the applause. Especially threatening to bring down on the conspirators the curse of the church of some, invokes her blessing and protection for his ward, Julie De Mortimer.

There and in other striking pictures was Mr. James seen at his best. Norman Blackett was at his best, as was also Victor into every act of that handsome lover and honorable soldier. The Julie De Mortimer, Miss Julie De Mortimer, was a sweet type of maidenhood, one which may probably have won through an appeal to the head than the heart. In general, the supporting company, composed of Charles Stedman as Joseph, the priest, proving an entirely creditable and effective cast.

The scenery and costumes frequently made an advance from the play, and the design was beautiful and of the times. The house was much less than could have been desired. "Tonight Knowles' tragedy, 'Virginia,' will be given."

"Her Marriage Vow" was greeted by another large house at the Grand theatre last night. Some intimation that the play is just a mite naughty has cropped out, but whatever of the risqué there is, it is just what the general audience afforded by the two burlesques, "Way Out West" and "Mixing Things Up."

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For Christmas Holidays.

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SALARIES ARE RAISED

Police and Fire Departments Figure in New Ordinance—Waterworks Franchise Not Up.

The city council passed an ordinance last evening regulating the salaries of the fire and police departments. It provides as follows:

Police Department—Captain, \$100; city detective, \$100; sergeants, \$80 each; patrolmen, \$60.

Fire Department—Assistant chief and electrician, \$80; captain, \$90; drivers, \$75.

The salary of the janitor of the city hall was increased to \$80 a month.

It was decided to give the city employees a holiday before Christmas. The question of granting a franchise to the Ogden Waterworks company was laid over until Wednesday evening. It is expected that the franchise will be completed then. It is understood that the franchise is formulated, with both sides making concessions on certain points. It is expected that the franchise will be completed then.

COST \$100 TO SELL BOOZE

Hooper Man Did Business Without License—Dress Suit Man Held.

Edward Bills of Hooper yesterday in the municipal court was fined \$100 and costs for selling liquor without a license.

Eugene Hyman, the colored man who attempted to steal a dress suit case at the Ogden union depot a few days ago, was given preliminary examination and was bound over to the district court in the sum of \$500, in default of which he is committed to the county jail. It is believed that Hyman is the man who has been working the hotel cases in Ogden for some time past and who has given the authorities much trouble. He is said to have had a set of Pullman car keys, which he used to gain entrance to the cars, after which he would choose suit case and walk off with it, depositing it at the depot, where he would call for it later on. Fourteen cases of this kind were worked at Porterville and other places recently.

Monroe and John Shipley were arraigned in the police court yesterday morning on a charge of battery alleged to have been committed on the person of Sanford P. O. of Riverdale. The first named is but 19 and the latter 25 years of age. The younger man was bound over to the juvenile court. The date of the trial has been set. The charging men are charged with having gotten into a row at a dance hall at Riverdale, and when the police came to break up the row, the younger man while his brother pummeled his face and head.

Mr. Fife, who is an officer in the juvenile court, also swore out complaints yesterday against Harrison, Child, Claude Kinross, Robert Hamlin and John Morris in connection with the same case.

Leroy Horrocks was arraigned in the municipal court yesterday upon the charge of attempted rape, preferred against him by a woman named "Frank." Horrocks stated that he desired a preliminary hearing, and Judge J. D. Murphy placed the hall at \$200. Horrocks is held to answer to two charges of the same nature.

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MOUNT PLEASANT NOTES.

Many Cases of Pneumonia—Andrew Scow Breaks a Leg.

Mount Pleasant, Dec. 17.—There are a number of severe cases of pneumonia in this city at the present time. One death occurred last week, a little child of seven days succumbing to the ravages of the disease. The pneumonia is seriously ill with typhoid fever. There are also a number of cases of whooping cough.

John H. Seely and brother Joseph have been arrested on a charge of stealing the American Rambouillet Sheep Growers' association and the International Stock show, both of which convene in this city this month. John Seely is and has been indicted on a charge of stealing the Rambouillet association as being one of the most successful breeders of that stock in the United States.

Andrew Scow, a well-known young man of this city, was badly hurt Friday by a horse which he was riding, falling and crushing one of his legs. The bone of the limb was broken in two places. An accident occurred on a mountain road. Only a few days ago Mr. Scow almost lost his life by an accident on one of the canyon roads. He was coming down a horse with a load of lumber, and in turning a corner the load overturned. Mr. Scow was caught between the lumber and a tree and almost crushed.

R. N. Bennett returned this morning from Provo, where he has been attending a meeting of the state committee of the Black Hawk War Veterans, he being state vice president of that organization. The association is at the present time trying to secure back pensions for those who fought for the government against the Indians in the early days. Mr. Bennett is well satisfied with the outlook and believes the pensions will be granted soon.

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last regular trip to this county, as Judge G. G. Armstrong will come here next year. The following business was transacted at the session:

In the matter of the estate of D. C. McLaughlin, deceased; order of sale of real estate made in the civil, Charles Shields and William Archibald appointed special appraisers.

In the matter of the estate and guardianship of Mary Pearson, an incompetent person; James Pearson appointed guardian; bonds filed.

In the matter of the estate of Chester Snyder, deceased; final account of executor allowed and approved; \$80 attorney's fees and \$300 extra compensation allowed to executor.

In the matter of the estate of Peter Anderson, deceased; order of sale of real property made under the administrator executing an additional bond in this sum of \$500.

In the matter of the estate of John G. Rhodin, deceased; order of conveyance made to American Plug Mining company; a decree foreclosing entered was amended to give proper title to property.

J. M. Lockhart, administrator of the estate of John G. Rhodin, deceased, vs. James Farrell; judgment entered in favor of plaintiff.

E. Devlin vs. Ontario Silver Mining company; judgment entered in favor of plaintiff and case reinstated.

Allen Rannow vs. Alfred Blomquist; decree to compel defendant to answer; defendant given twenty days to answer. Henry Jenu vs. Delta Cement; decree of divorce granted.

The following balances on hand in the several funds at the end of November: General fund, \$21,623.30; county school fund, \$22,112.50; county superintendent's contingent, \$844.20; state school fund, \$0; jurors and witnesses' fund, \$12.10.

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A meeting of best growers of the Provo district has been called by T. H. Vincent to meet in the court house on Wednesday evening, Dec. 20, at 7:30 o'clock, for the purpose of considering ways and means to obtain better prices for beets from the sugar company.

Dr. C. R. Snyder has moved to Perron, Emery county, where he will take charge of the Copper Globe Mining company's affairs and other mining ventures in which he is interested.

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INDIAN WAR VETERANS.

Urges Congressional Delegation to Work for New Pension Law.

Provo, Dec. 18.—The Utah Indian war veterans have sent communications to each member of the Utah congressional delegation setting out the work performed by the Indians in the early days of the settlement of the territory, and asking that they be given the same consideration as the white settlers.

The delegation to work for an amendment to the pension law covering such Indian service, passed by congress July 3, 1892, and amended June 27, 1892, so as to make the provision of the law applicable to all Indian war veterans from the years 1823 to 1880. The communications are signed by J. M. Westcott, captain-in-chief; Adjutant M. L. Pratt and the following department commanders: Virgil Kelly, Millard county; John G. Davis, Uintah county; R. N. Bennett, Sanpete county, and Moira Murron, Sevier county.

The remains of John D. Dixon's infant son, who died in Salt Lake Sunday, will be brought here tomorrow. The funeral services will be held in the Third ward meeting house, commencing at 9 o'clock tomorrow.

Judge Booth is holding court in Hobart and Brothers' & Sons' building, the Spruceville railroad contractors, are shipping 150 teams and a large force of men to Las Vegas. Many have been on their contract on the branch line from Las Vegas to Bullfrog.

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